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REVIEW OF THE EFFICIENCY OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL FUNCTIONING OF THE UNITED NATIONS

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. The previous recommendations made by the Fifth Committee to the General Assembly under agenda item 121 appear in the report of the Committee contained in document A/48/801.

2. The Fifth Committee further considered the item at its 46th meeting, on 22 December 1993. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary record (A/C.5/48/SR.46).

II. CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSALS

3. At its 46th meeting, on 22 December, the Chairman of the Fifth Committee submitted two draft decisions (A/C.5/48/L.33 and A/C.5/48/L.35) and orally revised draft decision A/C.5/48/L.35.

4. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted, without a vote, draft decisions A/C.5/48/L.33 and A/C.5/48/L.35, as orally revised.

III. RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

5. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft decisions:

DRAFT DECISION I

Biennial programme of work for the Fifth Committee for 1994-1995

The General Assembly decides, in accordance with paragraph 6 of its resolution 46/220 of 20 December 1991, to approve the biennial programme of work for the Fifth Committee for 1994-1995, annexed hereto.

Annex

BIENNIAL PROGRAMME OF WORK FOR THE FIFTH COMMITTEE FOR 1994-1995

A. Programme of work for 1994

1. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors

2. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations

3. Programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995

4. Programme planning

5. Improving the financial situation of the United Nations

6. Administrative and budgetary coordination of the United Nations with the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency

7. Pattern of conferences

8. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations

9. Personnel questions

10. United Nations common system

11. United Nations pension system

12. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peace-keeping operations

13. Report of the Economic and Social Council

14. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

B. Programme of work for 1995

1. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors

2. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations

3. Programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995

4. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997

5. Improving the financial situation of the United Nations

6. Joint Inspection Unit

7. Pattern of conferences

8. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations

9. Financing of the United Nations peace-keeping operations

10. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peace-keeping operations

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DRAFT DECISION II

Action taken on certain documents

The General Assembly decides:

(a) To defer consideration of the following documents until its resumed forty-eighth session:

(i) Reports of the Secretary-General on standards of accommodation for air travel (A/C.5/48/3) and review of travel and related entitlements for members of organs and subsidiary organs and staff members of the United Nations (A/C.5/48/14);

(ii) Report of the Secretary-General on the second performance report on the programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993 (A/C.5/48/48 and Corr.1 and addenda);

(iii) Report of the Secretary-General on workload standards for conference-servicing staff (A/C.5/47/67);

(iv) Report of the Secretary-General on special representatives, envoys and related positions (also item 138 (a)) (A/C.5/48/26);

(v) Report of the Secretary-General on the publications policy of the United Nations (A/C.5/48/10);

(vi) Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations telecommunications system (A/C.5/48/11);

(vii) Fifth progress report of the Secretary-General on the Integrated Management Information System (A/C.5/48/12);

(viii) Report of the Secretary-General on office accommodation at Geneva (A/C.5/48/29);

(ix) Report of the Secretary-General on construction of additional conference facilities at Addis Ababa and Bangkok (A/C.5/48/30);

(x) Question of staff assessment;

(xi) Conditions of service for members of the International Court of Justice;

(xii) Second report of the Secretary-General on the programme budget for the biennium 1990-1991 - Final appropriations for 1990-1991 (A/C.5/47/77/Add.1 and Add.1/Corr.1);

(xiii) Report of the Secretary-General as requested by the General Assembly in resolution 47/235 on the financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 (A/C.5/48/44);

(xiv) Report of the Secretary-General on conditions of service and allowances of the members of the International Tribunal (A/C.5/48/36);

(xv) Report of the Secretary-General on the establishment of a peace-keeping reserve fund (A/48/622);

(xvi) Effective planning, presentation and administration of peace-keeping operations;

(xvii) Rates of reimbursement to troop-contributing States;

(xviii) Note by the Secretary-General on the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Staffing of the United Nations peace-keeping and related missions (civilian component)" (also item 125) (A/48/421 and Add.1);

(xix) Report of the Working Group on the equitable geographical representation of Member States in the Secretariat (A/C.5/48/45);

(xx) Report of the Secretary-General on amendments to the Staff Rules (A/C.5/48/37);

(xxi) Report of the Secretary-General on institutional and administrative arrangements governing the integration of UNDP/OPS in the Department for Development Support and Management Services (A/48/502 and Add.1 and 2);

(xxii) Report of the Secretary-General on costs of staff representation activities (A/C.5/47/59);

(b) To defer consideration of the following document until its forty-ninth session:

Decentralization of activities in the field of natural resources.